

On Monday evening, September 5th, pursuant to an advertisement, a number of respectable citizens assembled in the Mayor's office to hold a preliminary meeting, at which arrangements were to be made for calling a general meeting of the public, at which a collection for the O'Brien Monument would be proposed.

MISS BAWARE.—The method adopted for entrapping the unfortunate immigrants is very barbarous, yet at times it borders on the ludicrous. The week before we quitted Portland it had witnessed the arrival of about 400 luckless Hibernians, who had been bamboozled by an American agent in the Emerald Isle.

In the judicial statistics of Ireland recently published, writes the Correspondent of the Times at Dublin, there are facts worthy of special notice relating to the distribution of the Constabulary. We find a much larger number of the force in proportion to the population in the Southern than in the Northern counties; for example, the population of the County Antrim is 247,564; the population of Tipperary is about the same number, 249,105.

RELIGIOUS INTOLERANCE.—Many and indignant are the communications we have received within the past few days from the hitherto quiet and peace loving inhabitants of the town of Fethard, upon whom insult and contumely have been cast by a person supposed to be a Minister of peace and good will to all men!

WE may remark that the growth of Dissent in Ireland is hardly less menacing to the Establishment than the pressure of the Catholics. The total number of Protestants of the Establishment is now 933,357. The number of Protestant Dissenters is 596,820. In 1854, the figures were, 852,064 members of the Established Church, and 604,104 Dissenters.

A BOY KILLED BY TWO SCHOOLFELLOWS.—At the village of Kilmacraun there is a parish school taught by a Mr. Craig. One day last week a little boy named Diver, about eleven years of age, complained of two of his school-mates, named Diver and Gregg, for attempting to beat him.

IT is stated that in making a new road, a lead mine has been discovered at Oreeagh, a short distance from Gorey, on the estate of Mr. Ram.

GREAT BRITAIN.

THE NEW VICAR APOSTOLIC OF THE EASTERN DISTRICT.—The Very Rev. John Strain has been appointed by the Holy See to succeed the late Right Rev. Bishop Gillis, as Vicar Apostolic of the Eastern District of Scotland. It will be remembered that Dr. Gillis never had a coadjutor, and the Diocese has consequently been since his death without a Bishop.

SCOTLAND is struggling hard for Catholicity, and the Church is already rapidly adding to its numbers in several parts. In the far North, poor and almost forgotten, there is much to edify, much to command, both in the Clergy and laity, but like their most learned and virtuous Bishop, they seem to court only retirement and poverty.

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Garibaldi and Whately.—Some person or persons unknown have agreed to present Garibaldi with a yacht. The idea, we may say candidly, though it was one broached by ourselves, was a good one. Unfortunately, it was not taken up by the public; the grand Capra testimonial movement was a failure, and it would be well if the fact were recognized by all parties concerned in its promotion.

Is the Gospel preached to the poor? is a question which the Deans of St. Asaph and Manchester, the Archdeacons of Chichester, Coventry, Ely, Hereford, Llandaff, Montgomery, Wilt, and York, and Canon Eaton, of Chester, and the Hon and Rev. F. R. Grey, of Morpeth, greatly desire may be made the subject of sermons in all the National Churches in England on Sunday, the 18th instant.

are neither over-cleanly, nor their own conversation interesting—complain of illness, those about them regard it as a degradation when the substitutes for the person are the scripture-reader, and the bible-woman. The poor feel keenly, and resent by neglect of their religious ordinances the slight upon them by the inferior instrumentally supposed to be good enough for the saving of such souls as theirs.

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Since young Master Vauvart met a Jesuit dressed in a long blue cloak behind a hedge, the Protestant press has not had so dainty a topic as that of the young English lady, who was last week forcibly carried off on the Ostend boat screaming and invoking the glorious British Constitution, under the charge of three Nuns—doubtless to some foreign convent, where she was to be taught to dig a foot of her own grave every day, or, if refractory, he built alive into the wall.

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Let us hope that Mr. Mummery will induce Mr. Whalley to introduce a bill to declare that it shall be penal henceforth to restrain lunatics, and a capital offence to employ the strait waistcoat.—London Tablet.

No National Church—if we may use the phrase—ever yet went astray that was distinguished for Ultramontaniam, and on the other hand the history of the Church furnishes, unhappily, many melancholy examples of apostasy and schism in those countries which set up Nationalism as a contradiction to Ultramontaniam, and evinced a disposition to creep at and resist Roman interference in their internal ecclesiastical affairs.

THE MURDER OF MR. BRIGGS.—The coroner's inquiry into the murder of Mr. Briggs terminated on Monday. Muller was brought forward for identification. Mr. Lee, who saw the two men in the railway carriage with the murdered man, was unable to swear to the identity of Muller.

PRISONER.—I have nothing to say now. The witnesses were then bound over, and the prisoner was fully committed for trial.

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IT appears from a recently issued blue-book that year there were in England and Wales 5,995 known thieves at large under sixteen years of age, and 23,261 above that age.—London Comet.

A woman charged on Saturday at the Westminster Court, with an outrage on the assistant matron of Chelsea Workhouse, revealed the interesting fact that in gaols prisoners have to pick two pounds of osakum per day, in workhouses paupers have to pick three pounds in the same time. Truly there seems to be no crime like poverty.—Standard.

A LIBERAL MINDED RECTOR.—On Monday the children of the Cobridge Catholic school had their annual treat. They marched in procession, with flags and banners, through Burslem, back to Cobridge, and then to a field engaged for the purpose on the Birches Head Farm, where they were provided with tea, and bus, &c.

THE Leeds Mercury states Brother Ignatius and one of his brethren made their appearance in the city of York on Saturday. The curiosity of the citizens was raised by the singularity of their garb, each wearing their canonical robes. They had also sandals on their feet, and their heads at the crown were closely shaved.

UNITED STATES. The Mobile Tribune is agitating the subject of employing slaves as soldiers.

THE tobacco crop for the present year in the three principal tobacco raising counties of Maryland will be only about two thousand two hundred bushels. These counties have formerly yielded three-fourths of the entire crop of the State—forty-five thousand bushels—and the great falling off is said to be caused by the scarcity of labor.

THE telegraphic reports in our last impression stated, on the authority of the New York Tribune, that an order will be issued by General Grant to shoot every guerrilla, burn every house, and drive out men, women and children from the guerrilla-infested region of the Shenandoah Valley.

IT is probably only fair to Gen. Sheridan to notice that he acts under the direct orders of his superior officer. The following appeared some days before the order of General Sheridan. We have already published it, but its reproduction is interesting here.

"To all the damage you can to railroads and crops carry off stock of all descriptions and negroes, so as to prevent further planting. If the war is to last another year let the Shenandoah valley remain a barren waste.

(Signed) U. S. GRANT. It is in the face of facts of this kind and the bloody results which we have been called upon to record, that we have been blamed, because we could not honestly avow any sympathy with the Northern States in their war upon the South, for dominion.—Montreal Gazette.

A GAZETTE has been going the rounds of the American press of a woman who married four husbands one after another, and procured the bounty on each. The woman, we presume, is rich enough now to retire into private life. But somewhat similar to this is a case we heard of the other day of a man in St. John, who has married four wives in succession—all widows, and each having a large amount of her credit in the Savings Bank.

THE Oswego Times has the honesty to declare that the excitement got up at Buffalo and other places along the frontier, relative to an invasion from Canada, is nothing more than a ruse to escape military service in Virginia. The troops ordered to guard Buffalo are so many exempt from the dangers of facing Lee's veterans; and as the quota is easily filled to the extent of the strength of these stay-at-home regiments a good stroke of business is accomplished to the satisfaction of the peace-loving Buffalonians.